

HB 1606 -- HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY CERTIFICATE

SPONSOR: Gannon

This bill provides a high school equivalency certificate applicant with the opportunity of voluntarily submitting his or her contact information for the purposes of evaluating college and career placement rates of certificate applicants.

This bill, subject to appropriations, will also require the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to subsidize the examination fee for first-time exam takers.

This bill also requires each school district to establish a policy that allows acceleration for students who demonstrate advanced performance or potential for advanced performance and the social and emotional readiness for acceleration. Such policy must allow for at least subject acceleration and whole grade acceleration.

This bill is similar to HB 469 as perfected (2017).